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Procedural Standards for District Committees can be found on the PIAA website under “Resources,” Handbook: Section II, PIAA Policies and Procedures, www.piaa.org.

THE DISTRICT 6 COMMITTEE

According to Article V, Section 1 of the PIAA Constitution, District 6 will encompass the member schools in the following counties: Blair, Cambria, Centre, Clearfield, Clinton, Huntingdon, Indiana, and Mifflin.

COMPOSITION

Voting Members of the District 6 Committee

One (1) Superintendents Representative of a member School District (2yr)
Six (6) Representatives of member Senior High Schools (Grades 10-12) (1yr)
Two (2) Representatives of member Junior High Schools (Grades 7-9) (2yr)
One (1) School Board Representative appointed by the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania School Boards Association (2yr)
Three (3) Athletic Director Representative (2yr)
One (1) Girls' Athletic Representative (2yr)
One (1) Private School Representative (1yr)
Two (2) Officials' Representative (2yr)
Four (4) Parent Advisory Members (3yr)

Executive Committee for the 2026-2027 School Year

Ralph Cecere, Chairman - Homer-Center School District
Curtis Whitesel, Vice Chairman - Hollidaysburg Area School District
Michael Cacciotti, Secretary - Bishop Guilfoyle Academy
Jacquelyn Mento, Treasurer - Non-voting

Superintendent Representative 2025-2027

Ralph Cecere - Homer-Center School District

Senior High Representatives for 2026-2027

Jeremy Burkett - Portage Area High School
Chad Packer - Bald Eagle Middle/High School
Brian Randall - Conemaugh Valley Jr/Sr High School
Jody Rainey - Homer-Center School District
Tim Regan - Richland High School
Richard Schreier - Bellwood Antis High School

Junior High Representative for 2026-2028

Joseph Strittmatter – Central Cambria

Junior High Representative for 2025-2027

Curtis Whitesel – Hollidaysburg Area School District

Representatives

Phil Riccio - Athletic Director Representative (2025-2027)
David Williamson - Athletic Director Representative (2026-2028)
Cullen Stokes - Athletic Director Representative (2026-2028)
Jennifer McConnell - Girls' Athletic Representative (2025-2027)
Chris Rickens - Men Officials' Representative (2025-2027)
Elizabeth Campbell - Women Officials' Representative (2025-2027)
Amy Mykut - Parent Advisory (2026-2029)
Stacy Kuster - Parent Advisory (2024-2027)
Matthew Young - Parent Advisory (2025-2028)
Charles Gojmerac - Parent Advisory (2025-2028)
Michael Cacciotti - Private Schools' Representative (2026-2027)
Charles Glasser - School Board Representative (2025-2027)
Gary Jubas - Legal Advisor

COMMITTEE SELECTION

Member schools may send written nominations to the District 6 Secretary/Treasurer for the six senior high representatives, for the 2026-2027 school year from February 1st through March 15th. Nominees must be certified by the Pennsylvania Department of Education and must be professional employees of a District 6-member school.

The Election Procedure

In February or March minutes each year, the election procedures will be described and will include a deadline for the nomination of candidates to be placed on the election ballot. Candidates must hold an administrative position in the school district. Nominations must be forwarded to the Secretary/Treasurer on school letterhead prior to the deadline date that will be posted in the minutes. Ballots will be prepared with the names of the nominees chosen in random order and will be mailed to each principal of a PIAA participating school. Completed ballots are to be signed by the principal and placed in a sealed envelope. Ballots will be mailed to the Secretary/Treasurer who will give them to the Election Committee. The Election Committee will consist of administrators from three schools, which do not have candidates from their schools on the ballot. The Election Committee will open the sealed ballots and tally the results at the Annual Meeting on **April 22, 2026**. The results will be announced at that meeting.

Representatives are Elected as Follows:

The Athletic Director Representative serves a two-year term and is nominated and elected by the athletic directors of the District 6 member schools.

The School Board Representative serves a two-year term and is appointed by the Pennsylvania School Board Association.

The Officials' Representative serves a two-year term. PIAA District 6 registered official's elect one male representative and one female representative.

The Private Schools' Representative serves a one-year term and is elected by the private schools, which are members of District 6.

The Girls' Athletic Representative serves a two-year term and is elected by principals of member schools.

The Parents Representative serves a three-year term. Two male and two female parent representatives will each serve a three-year term. Parents should have a son or daughter enrolled in a District 6 school during their tenure. Terms should be staggered so that all representatives are not going off the Board at the same time. Interested parents may apply or be recruited during the conclusion of the previous representative term, with final selection from all applications determined by majority vote of the District 6 Committee.

POWERS AND DUTIES

The District Committee shall have the following powers and duties, subject to be exercised by the Board of Directors of its powers as provided in Article VII, Section 1 of the PIAA Constitution and By-Laws.

A. To have general control within the District over all interscholastic athletic relations and athletic contests in which a member school participates, subject to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Board of Directors.

B. To render, within the District, an opinion on the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws of this Association.

C. To elect its own officers and establish rules of procedure.

D. To administer the finances of the District Committee.

E. To decide matters in dispute between member schools located within the District. No member of the District Committee shall be eligible to vote in case of a dispute involving such a member's school.

F. To receive, request, or require data on alleged violations of the Constitution and By-Laws by or from schools located within the District. In assuming this responsibility, the District Committee shall not be required to assume the position of investigator. Charges of violations against the Constitution and By-Laws of this Association by a member school shall be made to the Chair of the District Committee in writing, and if requested by the District Committee. Such evidence shall be presented in the form of affidavits.

G. To fix and enforce penalties within the District, for violation of the Constitution and By-Laws of this Association, within the limits prescribed by the By-Laws.

H. To have general control of District Championship Contests and District Interscholastic Meets.

I. To act with the Board of Directors in the transfer of schools from one district to another.

J. A District Committee shall have such other powers within the District as are in keeping with the growth and needs of the Association and which are consistent with the Constitution and By-Laws of the PIAA.

K. A majority of its members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business of the District Committee except in cases where a three-fourth or unanimous vote of the entire committee is required.

MEETING DATES
2026 - 2027

The District 6 Committee meets on the following dates:

August 5, 2026	10:00 AM	Marzoni's, Pleasant Valley Blvd.
September 14, 2026	3:30 PM	Hollidaysburg Area High School
October 13, 2026	3:30 PM	Hollidaysburg Area High School
November 16, 2026	3:30 PM	Hollidaysburg Area High School
December 14, 2026	3:30 PM	Marzoni's, Pleasant Valley Blvd.
January 11, 2027	3:30 PM	Hollidaysburg Area High School
February 8, 2027	3:30 PM	Hollidaysburg Area High School
March 15, 2027	3:30 PM	Hollidaysburg Area High School
* April ---, 2027	------	Blair County Convention Center
May 10, 2027	3:30 PM	Hollidaysburg Area High School
June 14, 2027	10:00 AM	Location TBD
*Annual Meeting		

PIAA DISTRICT 6 COMMITTEE

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Tim Regan	Richland High School One Academic Ave Johnstown, PA 15904	814-266-6081 Tregan@richlandsd.com	
Phil Riccio	Altoona Area High School 1415 Sixth Avenue Altoona, PA 16602	814-946-8292 priccio@altoonasd.com	814-946-8578
Chris Rickens	901 37th ST Altoona, PA 16601	814-329-0912 cchrisref@verizon.net	
Richard Schreier	Bellwood Antis High School 400 Martin St Bellwood, PA 16617	814-742-2274 814-215-8786 Rws@blwd.k12.pa.us	
Cullen Stokes	United High School 10780 Route 56 Hwy E Armagh, PA 15920	814-446-5615 ext. 2333 cstokes@unitedsd.net	814-446-6615
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Matthew Young	Huntingdon Area High School 2400 Cassady Ave., Suite 2 Huntingdon, PA 16652	814-643-4140 myoung@huntsd.org	
David Williamson	West Branch 444 Allport Cutoff Morrisdale, PA 16858	814-345-5615 dwilliamson@westbranch.org	

2026-2027 DISTRICT 6 COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Basketball Officials Assignments
Chris Rickens
Elizabeth Campbell
Evaluators

Finance Committee
Ralph Cecere
Curtis Whitesel
Michael Cacciotti
Phil Riccio

Football Officials Assignments
Chris Rickens
Evaluators

Official Assignments for All Other Sports
Chris Rickens
Elizabeth Campbell
Sports Chairperson
Evaluators

Sportsmanship Award
Jody Rainey
Richard Schreier

Dean Rossi Scholarship Coordinator
Richard Schreier

2026-2027 DISTRICT 6 SPORTS COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Baseball Chuck Gojmerac Chris Rickens	**Promotions** Jody Rainey Ralph Cecere
Basketball Ralph Cecere Charles Glasser Chris Rickens Cullen Stokes	**Soccer** Michael Cacciotti Elizabeth Campbell
Cheerleading Chad Packer	**Softball** Stacy Kuster Elizabeth Campbell
Cross Country Cullen Stokes	**Swimming and Diving** Curtis Whitesel Chad Packer
Dean Rossi Scholarship Coordinator Richard Schreier	**Tennis** Phil Riccio
Field Hockey Elizabeth Campbell	**Track and Field** Phil Riccio
Flag Football Jennifer McConnell	**Trophies** Jody Rainey
Football Ralph Cecere Phil Riccio	**Volleyball** Chuck Gojmerac Chris Rickens
Golf Chris Rickens Curt Whitesel	**Wrestling** Phil Riccio Cullen Stokes
Lacrosse Elizabeth Campbell	

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY STATEMENT

The Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association, Inc. (PIAA) believes that all boys and girls should have equal opportunity to participate in all levels of interscholastic athletics regardless of race, color, sex, creed, religion, or ethnic background.

GENDER AND MINORITY EQUITY

The purpose of the PIAA Committee on Gender and Minority Equity is to increase opportunities for women and members of minority groups for involvement in the various aspects of interscholastic athletics.

PIAA will act directly in those areas under its control, including the registration of sports officials and the retention of Contest management and administrative personnel, and will act in a recommendatory capacity as to those persons and positions under the control of PIAA member schools, such as student-athletes, Coaches, and athletic administrators.

PIAA CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT

The Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association, Inc. (PIAA) requires that each person serving as a member of the Board of Directors, a District Committee, or an agent or employee of the PIAA, perform his or her duties without influence or the appearance of influence by any other business or financial interest of such person.

Potential conflicts of interest include, but are not limited to, a person's direct financial interest in a company or product which could be affected by a decision of the Board of Directors or a District Committee on which the person serves.

The PIAA is not critical of such interests. It merely requests that persons disqualify themselves from PIAA decisions on matters relating to such interests.

If a member of the Board of Directors, a District Committee, or an agent or employee of the PIAA, should have or develop a conflict of interest, such person shall:

1) Immediately identify the conflict in writing to the president and/or executive director, or the District Chairman, as applicable; and
2) Remove him or her from any discussion or decisions involving the matter in conflict.

In case of doubt about the existence of a conflict, a member should submit the question and the relevant facts to the president and/or executive director, or the District Chairman, as applicable, for a decision.

OPEN MEETING POLICY

Purpose

To increase member school and public awareness of and input to PIAA governance functions, by clarifying criteria and procedures for member school and public access to PIAA Board of Directors meetings.

Open Meetings

Meetings of the PIAA Board of Directors and its committees shall be open, except were closed as set forth in this policy. “Meetings” as used in this policy includes prearranged gatherings of the Board of Directors or its committees, attended by a quorum of members, at which official action on PIAA business is to be considered or taken. “Meetings” does not include training sessions, ceremonial functions, or other informal gatherings not convened for the purpose of considering or taking official action on PIAA business.

Notice

Notice of the date, time, and place of all open meetings of the Board of Directors and its committees shall be made available through: The PIAA Calendar, the PIAA Quarterly, when timeliness permits, including publication of the approved regular yearly schedule of meetings, posting on the PIAA web site at www.piaa.org., and news releases to statewide electronic/print media outlets.

Regular Meetings

Notice of all regularly scheduled meetings shall be provided at least three (3) calendar days prior to the time of the meeting. It is not necessary to provide additional separate notice for meetings taking place in accordance with a master schedule which has been publicized annually or at other intervals using the means listed above.

Special Meetings

Notice of any special meetings shall be given at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the time of the meeting, except that such notice shall not be necessary when a special meeting is called to deal with a real or potential emergency involving immediate risk to life, property, the legal or financial interests of PIAA, or other matters requiring immediate action by the Board of Directors or one of its committees.

Special meetings can be called by the president or by request of a majority of the members of the Board of Directors.

The committee chairperson or a majority of the designated committee members can call committee meetings.

Minutes

The Board of Directors shall cause to be made and shall retain as a permanent record of the organization minutes of all open meetings of the Board of Directors. The minutes shall summarize the substance of all official action taken by the Board of Directors and shall be approved at the next succeeding meeting of the Board of Directors.

The approved minutes shall be made available to the member schools upon request, and a list of the actions taken shall be published on the PIAA Web site at www.piaa.org.

Publication of Minutes and Availability of PIAA Quarterly

The official information publication of PIAA shall be known as the PIAA Quarterly. The PIAA Quarterly shall be posted on the PIAA Web site and made available to any person upon written request providing the address to which it is to be mailed.

Executive Session

The Board of Directors and its committees may meet in executive session before, during, or at the conclusion of an open meeting, or at other times, at the call of the presiding officer or upon motion approved by a majority of the members. Executive sessions may be convened for the purpose of discussing or considering any of the following matters:

a. labor relations and other employment issues relating to PIAA employees, officials, or appointees, whether paid or unpaid; purchase or lease of real estate; pending or potential litigation and other legal issues; adjudicative functions, including hearings and appeals; other matters which should be discussed or conducted in private in order to protect individual privacy interests, to preserve a lawful privilege or confidentiality, or to avoid harm to the legal or financial interests of PIAA.

The presiding officer shall announce, at the open meeting preceding or following the executive session, which of the foregoing categories of matters was the reason for which the executive session was called.

Official action based on discussions held in executive sessions shall be taken at an open meeting, except with respect to situations in which taking action at an open meeting would result in the disclosure of information protected by individual privacy, lawful privilege, or confidentiality, or would cause harm to PIAA legal or financial interests.

Member School and Public Participation

In recognition of the value to the organization of member school and public comment on issues affecting the Board of Director's responsibility for interscholastic athletic competition, the Board of Directors shall provide an opportunity for attendees to comment on matters before the Board of Directors, prior to official action by the Board of Directors. Member school representatives shall be given priority in the scheduling of open discussion time periods.

Comments by representatives of member schools and the public attending meetings shall be made at the beginning of each meeting and shall be limited in time to no more than three (3) minutes per individual, unless, upon advance written request, the presiding officer permits a longer presentation in special circumstances. The individual time limit may be further shortened to accommodate larger numbers of persons wishing to speak.

The portion of the meeting devoted to comment shall not exceed thirty (30) minutes, unless extended by the Board of Directors for special reasons.

Agenda

Attendees at an open meeting shall have access to a copy of the meeting agenda and attachments, except agenda attachments relative to labor relations and other employment issues relating to PIAA employees, officials, or appointees, whether paid or unpaid; purchase or lease of real estate; pending or potential litigation and other legal issues; adjudicative functions, including hearings and appeals; and other matters which should be discussed or conducted in private to protect the individual privacy interests, to preserve a lawful privilege or confidentiality, or to avoid harm to the legal or financial interests of PIAA.

Recording Devices

Persons attending open meetings may use audio and video recording devices so long as such use does not disrupt or interfere with the proceedings or the ability of any other attendee to observe, enter, or exit the proceedings, and does not otherwise create a risk or injury to persons or property. Persons using such devices do so at their own risk and shall be solely responsible for the consequences of such use. PIAA has no responsibility for the content of any recording or the subsequent use of such contents.

Adjournment

The Board of Directors may, at any time, recess or adjourn a meeting to a specified time, date, or place upon the vote of a majority of those present.

Notice of a rescheduled meeting shall be given as provided in this policy.

ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY

The basic responsibility for eligibility is in the hands of the principal. When the principal certifies the eligibility of an athlete by signing the eligibility list, the assumption is that all listed athletes have been thoroughly checked.

Violations of eligibility rules may cause an individual, a team or a school to suffer penalties.

Member schools are responsible for dissemination of information about athletic eligibility. The following recommendations provide a broad base of coverage for the member schools' students and staff.

1. School administrators should be sure that all coaches (including non-teaching coaches) know and implement the rules and pass them along to their athletes.

2. Publish the rules or at least a summary of the rules in:
    a. The student handbook
    b. The faculty manual
    c. At least one communication to the parents - i.e., the parental slip for athletic participation
    d. A communication to each athletic booster's organization

3. School administrators should be sure the following individuals are aware of the rules:
    a. Guidance counselors
    b. Junior high school personnel
    c. Attendance officers
    d. Pupil personnel workers

4. The eligibility rules should be posted in key locations such as:
    a. The athletic office
    b. Locker rooms

Eligibility Problems

1. Students transferring from other schools.

2. Students repeating all or a portion of a school year.

3. Students with attendance and/or scholarship problems.

    It is important that students whose status is questionable are identified. Once identified, their eligibility can usually be determined easily.

Checking Student/Athlete Eligibility

Some suggestions for checking student eligibility:

1. Eligibility information should be kept in one place.

2. The principal or his designee (athletic director, faculty manager, etc.) should be in charge and should coordinate the process.

3. Rules should be up-to-date and changes noted each year.

4. Have the athlete and his/her parents(s) supply the following information in conjunction with the parental permission slip before the student tries out.
   a. Name
   b. Grade level
   c. Age
   d. Date of birth
   e. Home Address
   f. Parent(s) name
   g. Semesters of attendance
   h. Years of participation

   This information can be checked against school records.

5. Verify that each athlete has a physical, insurance coverage, and parental permission to participate.

6. Check grades and attendance from the previous semester.

If you have a student whose eligibility is questionable:

1. Gather all the facts and documentation.

2. Check the PIAA By-Laws.

3. If a question arises, call **Ralph Cecere, Chairman at 724-479-8080.**

4. In the event that the situation would require a District 6 committee decision, you will be asked to file the PIAA form, "Request for a Decision on Athletic Eligibility", located in the PIAA Constitution and By-Laws.

5. Complete the form thoroughly and attach supporting documentation.

6. Send the completed form to:
   Ralph Cecere
   District 6 PIAA Chairman
   rcecere@homercenter.org

7. The District 6 Committee will review the question and provide a decision at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Foreign Exchange Students

Foreign exchange students are eligible to participate in interscholastic athletics at a PIAA member school for only one year.

For Students to be eligible, a designated representative of a member school must complete the Foreign Exchange Student Eligibility Agreement located in the PIAA Constitution and By-Laws and send the completed form and a copy of the J1 Visa and copy of Parent/Physical Certificate to:

Ralph Cecere
Chairman, District 6 Committee
Homer-Center School District
65 Wildcat Lane
Homer City, PA 15748

If documents are proper, the student will be declared eligible upon review of the information by the executive committee and will officially be declared eligible at the next regular scheduled District 6 meeting.

POLICY CONCERNING BOYS AND GIRLS PARTICIPATING AND PRACTICING TOGETHER IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS

This policy applies to PIAA responses to inquiries as to whether it is permissible or required for boys and girls to participate or practice together on the same interscholastic athletic team, or to be segregated on the basis of sex.

In 1975, the Commonwealth court of Pennsylvania permanently joined PIAA from establishing any rule or regulations that would prohibit boys from playing or practicing on girls' teams or girls playing or practicing on boys' teams. That permanent injunction remains in effect, and any attempt by PIAA to adopt such rules would constitute contempt of court.

In view of the presence of the issue and the existence of the injunction, the following is the response that shall be given by PIAA to such inquiries:

1. The PIAA Constitution and By-Laws apply equally to boys and girls participating in and practicing for interscholastic athletics.

2. PIAA has no rules that deal with the participation of boys and girls on the same athletic team or with boys and girls practicing together for interscholastic athletics. PIAA therefore does not prohibit such combined participation or practicing.

3. The specific inquiry should be referred to the solicitor for the school district involved.

4. In preparing his response to the inquiry, the school district solicitor should be referred to the following three sources of guidance:
    a. The United States Department of Education Regulations under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, which appear at 34 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 106, and cases decided under those regulations and under Title IX itself.

    b. The Pennsylvania State Board of Education health and physical education regulations relative to interscholastic athletic programs, which appear at 22 Pa. Code Section 4.27 (d) - (f).

    c. The opinion of the Commonwealth court in Commonwealth of Pennsylvania v. Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association, 18 Pa. Commonwealth Ct. 45, 334 A.2d 839 (1975).

5. The solicitor should be informed that these sources are only to provide a starting point for any independent analysis; they are not intended to be an exhaustive identification of all potentially relevant sources.

INCIDENT REPORTS

1. A District 6 Incident Report should be filed under the following circumstances:

    a. The suspension of a contest before its completion.

    b. Any physical or verbal assault on an official.

    c. Any physical altercation involving contestants, coaches, officials, and/or spectators.

    d. Any serious violation of PIAA rules and regulations.

2. Officials should report any incidents to the District 6 Officials' Representative within twelve (12) hours of the conclusion of the contest during which the incident occurred. If the officials' representative is not available, officials should report the incident to the District 6 chair or to the District 6 secretary/treasurer.

3. Officials will send a copy of their incident report to the principals of the schools involved. The schools involved must respond to the report in writing within two (2) days of its reception. A District 6 reporting form should be used. (See page 19).

4. The District 6 Executive Committee will review the submitted reports and determine what course of action should be taken. The District 6 Chair will notify the schools involved in that course of action.

5. Schools involved in a reported incident are entitled to a hearing before the District 6 Committee. Hearings shall be held at District 6 Committee's next regularly scheduled meeting unless the executive committee considers it necessary to schedule the hearing at a special meeting at an earlier date.

6. Any rulings or sanctions imposed by the District 6 Committee may be appealed to the PIAA Board of Directors by contacting the PIAA Executive Director at the PIAA Office in Mechanicsburg, PA.

PIAA - DISTRICT 6 INCIDENT REPORT

Sport_____

Schools Involved

_____ _____
Home School PIAA District

_____ _____
Visiting School PIAA District

_____ _____ _____
Date of the incident Time, inning, or heat Score during the incident

Official's Report

Who was involved in the incident? _____

Where did the incident occur? _____

What were the circumstances?

_____

What action did the officials take? _____

Please attach any additional information

Principal's Report

Who was involved in the incident? _____

Where did the incident occur? _____
What were the circumstances? _____

What action did your school district take? _____

Please attach any additional information.

_____ _____
Official's signature Date

_____ _____
Principal's signature Date

PROBLEM SOLVING PROCEDURE

1. Investigate
    a. Determine what happened.
    b. Ask for statements from officials, persons of authority, coaches and security personnel who were witnesses to the event.
    c. Find other witnesses to the event and ask them to document what they saw.
2. Involve school officials (administrators) from both schools in the investigation.
3. Let all parties concerned know you are interested in resolving the situation.
4. When appropriate, utilize school rules and community laws to prosecute the offenders.
5. Re-examine school policies and procedures to determine if the problem could have been avoided.
6. Submit a completed report on the incident to the District 6 Chair.
7. Should the incident require a hearing before the Committee, the principal will be made aware of the following:
    a. Site, time, and date of hearing
    b. Who should attend
    c. Who will be attending
    d. The basic procedure and format of the hearing
    e. What documentation should be supported
    f. What the consequences might be

DEALING WITH INCLEMENT WEATHER

The PIAA District 6 is advising all schools of the following when inclement weather is a possibility:

1. It is recommended that principals, athletic directors, contest officials, and coaches meet prior to the contest regarding the possibility of inclement weather for all sports to ensure that there are clear predetermined guidelines established to address any and all scenarios.

2. Do any and all things possible to ensure the safety of the participants, fans, and others. Please reference the “Lightning Safety” guidelines below.

3. All PIAA District 6 section football games must be played in their entirety as they bear on post-season qualification.

4. The NFHS sport specific rulebooks identify criteria regarding potential termination of contests and the requirements that identify when games are considered official. These guidelines must be followed. If the specific sport rulebook does not specify termination guidelines, as far as possible, all games should be played to conclusion.

5. It is recommended **(and it is only a recommendation)** of the PIAA District 6 that all non-section football games postponed before the conclusion of the first half, be concluded at a later date.

6. It is recommended that non-section football games interrupted in the second half or games that are being played under the “mercy-rule” be terminated with the existing score unless it is mutually decided that a game should be concluded at a later date.

7. Remember that if a non-section football game is not concluded, the existing score will stand. The National Federation Rule Book; Rule 3, Article 3 states: **“Games interrupted because of events beyond the control of the responsible administrative authority shall be continued from the point of interruption, unless the teams agree to terminate the game with the existing score or there are conference, league or state associations’ rules, which apply.”**

LIGHTNING SAFETY

Coaches, officials, Certified Athletic Trainers, and players must recognize the hazard posed by lightning and know what to do to minimize the risk of serious injury or death during outdoor activities.

Use electronic devices to determine potential for lightning injury and convey this risk to game officials and coaching staff. If you do not have lightning detector, use the “Flash-to-bang” method for measuring lightning distance. As lightning approaches, the time in seconds from seeing the stroke to hearing the thunder decreases. For each 5-second count, lightning is 1 mile away. At a count of 15 seconds (3 miles) there is imminent danger! Seek shelter immediately. It is strongly recommended that you seek shelter at a count of 30 seconds (6 miles). Follow your institution’s policy and go to a safe location (**a completely enclosed area), staying away from open doors and windows.**

Turn off and stay away from electrical appliances. Avoid using a regular telephone (except in emergency situations).

A cellular or portable phone is safe if the person and the antenna are located within a safe location and if all other precautions are followed.

A car or bus can act as a “safe location” as long as the windows are closed completely, and you stay away from the windows.

If no safe structure or location is within a reasonable distance, find a thick grove of small trees surrounded by taller trees or a dry ditch. Assume a crouch position on the ground with only the balls of the feet touching the ground, wrap your arms around your knees and lower your head. DO NOT LIE ON THE GROUND.

Wait a minimum of 30 minutes from the last lightning strike/visual/sound or until the lightning detector indicates that the storm is no longer a threat. Any subsequent lightning or 30-minute count should reset the clock and another count should begin.

TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS

Name	Office Address	Phone	Fax Number	Sport
Chuck Gojmerac	161 Bradford Ln Roaring Spring, PA 16673	814-793-2176		Baseball
Cullen Stokes Chris Rickens	901 37th ST Altoona, PA 16601	814-329-0912		Basketball
Chad Packer	Bald Eagle Area High School 751 S. Eagle Valley Rd Bellefonte, PA 16823	814-355-4818		Cheerleading
Cullen Stokes Jeremy Burkett	United High School 10780 Route 56 Hwy E Armagh, PA 15920	814-446-5615 ext. 2333		Cross Country
Elizabeth Campbell	1418 N. 6th Ave Altoona, PA	814-941-2893		Field Hockey
Ralph Cecere	Homer-Center School District 65 Wildcat Lane Homer City, PA 15748	724-479-8080	724-479-3967	Football
Curtis Whitesel Chris Rickens	901 37th ST Altoona, PA 16601	814-329-0912		Golf Boys & Girls
Elizabeth Campbell	1418 N. 6th Ave Altoona, PA	814-941-2893		Lacrosse Boys & Girls
Phil Riccio	Altoona Area High School 1415 Sixth Avenue Altoona, PA 16602	814-946-8289	814-946-8578	Tennis Boys & Girls
Phil Riccio	Altoona Area High School 1415 Sixth Avenue Altoona, PA 16602	814-946-8289	814-946-8578	Track & Field
Michael Cacciotti	Bishop Guilfoyle Academy 2400 Pleasant Valley Blvd Altoona, PA 16602	814-944-4014	814-944-8552	Soccer Boys & Girls
Stacy Kuster	Central High School 718 Central High Rd Martinsburg, PA 16662	814-473-5316	814-793-4942	Softball
Curtis Whitesel	Hollidaysburg Area High School 1510 North Montgomery St Hollidaysburg, PA 16648	814-696-4454	814-696-5681	Swimming & Diving AA & AAA
Chuck Gojmerac	161 Bradford Ln Roaring Spring, PA 16673	814-793-2176		Volleyball Boys & Girls
Phil Riccio	Altoona Area High School 1415 Sixth Avenue Altoona, PA 16602	814-946-8289	814-946-8578	AA Wrestling & Dual Meet, AAA Wrestling Team Wrestling

DISTRICT 6 TOURNAMENTS

1. Conditions for Entry

Entry and participation in the 2026-2027 PIAA District 6 Tournaments are voluntary. District 6 member schools are not required to enter tournaments sponsored by the District. Entry of a team into a tournament signifies that the member school accepts the conditions and provisions that are described here.

Further, a member school accepts the fact that the District 6 Committee reserves the right to make changes in the management, operation, and schedule of the 2026-2027 District 6 Tournaments if, in the committee's judgment, it becomes necessary.

2. No Protest Rule

Under PIAA there can be no protest of contests as follows:
The Board of Director and District Committees will not consider any protest in athletic contest which are based on play situations or officials' decisions involving interpretation or judgment of plays.

In no case will the results of a contest be reversed, nor will a contest be ordered or permitted to be replayed.

Questions regarding interpretation of rules or judgment of officials should be submitted, in writing, to the PIAA Executive Director.

3. Officials

All officials for the District 6 tournaments are assigned by the District 6 Officials' Assignment Committee. The officials are chosen from a pool of officials recommended by the participating schools and by the officials' chapter in District 6.

4. Photographing, Filming, and Videotaping

PIAA rules and regulations do not prohibit schools, spectators, and/or media from photographing, filming, or videotaping at District 6 tournaments. However, photographing, filming, or videotaping at District 6 tournaments shall be subject to the following restrictions:

a. Photographing, filming, and videotaping for the purpose of review before the completion of the filmed game will be prohibited.

b. Two (2) people from each school will be admitted free to photograph, film, or videotape these games. All others are required to purchase an admission ticket.

c. Persons desiring to film or videotape must report to the game manager a minimum of 15 minutes prior to the start of the game/contests.

d. Persons filming or videotaping must remain in the areas designated by the game manager for that purpose.

e. Persons filming or videotaping shall not stand on any unsafe or potentially hazardous physical objects or facilities.

f. Persons filming or videotaping shall not interfere with the visibility and comfort of other spectators, nor shall they present a safety hazard to other spectators.

5. Restriction of Use of Tobacco Products

PIAA Board of Directors policy prohibits the use of tobacco products by participating and non-participating team personnel, including coaches, during any interscholastic athletic contest at any level of interscholastic athletic competition.

The use of tobacco products by team members/personnel and coaches is prohibited during pre-game, game, and post-game activities in the locker rooms and in the vicinity of the gymnasium/field.

6. Policy for Post-Game Interviews of Coaches and Team

Following completion of the game, coaches, other school personnel, and persons affiliated with the team shall not allow or participate in any interviews with the electronic and/or print media or other persons until both teams have completed the congratulatory handshake ceremony, completed the awards presentation ceremony ([final] contests only), gathered their personal and/or team belongings, departed the competition surface, and returned to the team locker room.

7. Policy Regarding Coaches Disqualified

A coach(es) disqualified from a PIAA championship (final) contest in a sport for unsportsmanlike conduct or flagrant misconduct shall be prohibited from participating in the awards presentation ceremony which immediately follows that championship (final) contest.

8. Merchandise Sale

District 6 Clothing will be available for purchase by contestants, coaches, and spectators. Near midseason of the sports seasons in progress, a pre order form with instructions for purchasing D6 Clothing will be posted to the District 6 website with the same being sent electronically to the athletic director of each D6 school. In addition to the pre-sale order, clothing will be available for purchase at the D6 Cross Country, Wrestling and Track/Field Championships. Questions regarding D6 clothing sales should be directed to Mr. Jody Rainey at 724-479-8026 x 3124 or at jrainey@homercenter.org

9. Restrictions on Cheerleading Activities

The PIAA Board of Directors is most concerned with dangerous activities performed by cheerleaders in interscholastic events. In an effort to eliminate or minimize injury to cheerleaders, the following shall be in effect for all PIAA District 6 Championships:

a. No cheerleader shall stand on another person unless that other person has at least one foot on the ground.

b. No flips are permitted from another person unless the other person has both feet on the ground.

c. Trampolines and/or mini tramps shall not be used.

PRINCIPALS ARE REQUESTED TO REVIEW THESE POLICIES WITH THE COACH OR ADVISOR OF THE CHEERLEADING SQUAD AND THE MEMBERS OF THE CHEERLEADING SQUAD PRIOR TO THE START OF THE 2026-2027 PIAA PLAYOFFS/CHAMPIONSHIPS.

DISTRICT 6 PIAA
2026-2027 TOURNAMENT
BASEBALL
TOURNAMENT- SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Tentative Dates of Tournament: May 20, 2027 – June 5, 2027

Last Date to Enter: May 18, 2027 **Time:** 9:00 AM

Method of Entry: District VI website power ranking

Site:
Bald Eagle High School
Governor's Park
Claysburg Kimmel High School
Mount Aloysius College
Vet's Field

****All dates and locations are subject to change*

Guidelines for Entry

Qualifying Requirements: 67% from each classification up to a minimum of 4 teams

Rating System: District VI website power ranking

Entry Fee: $100.00 per team

Radio Fee: $50.00

Postponement Procedure: The host team determines if the games should be canceled because of inclement weather.

Time of Decision: Three hours prior to game time

Ticket Information

Adults and Students
Presale Online: $8.00
Same-Day Tickets (Online & Gate): $10.00

District Committee Contact: Chuck Gojmerac
Telephone: 814-241-2626
Email: Chuck@morrisonscovememorialpark.org

DISTRICT 6 PIAA
2026-2027 TOURNAMENT
BASKETBALL
TOURNAMENT- SUBJECT TO CHANGE

First Practice Date	November 20, 2026
Minimum Length Preseason Practice	2 Weeks
First Interschool Practice or Scrimmage Date	November 28, 2026
Max Regular Season Inter-School Prac/Scrimmages	2
First Regular Season Contest Date	December 4, 2026
Max Length of Regular Season	12 Weeks
Max Number of Regular Season Contests	22
Last Regular Season Contest Date	February 20, 2026
District Deadline	February 27, 2026
Tentative Dates of Tournament:	February 15, 2026 – February 27, 2027
Last Date to Enter:	February 11, 2027 for 1A - 6A
Time:	9:00 AM
Sites for All Rounds Up to Final:	Higher Seed in Each Pairing
Sites for Championships:	Mount Aloysius, Cresson, PA (if available) St. Francis University, Loretto, PA Penn State Altoona Other (if necessary)

- PIAA District 6 reserves the right to move any play-off contest for any reason the Committee deems relevant.
- Basketball is a closed tournament using the power rankings outlined on the District 6 website *www.piaad6.org*
  - 1A Boys (Top 6)/Girls (Top 8)
  - 2A Boys (Top 8)/Girls (Top 8)
  - 3A Boys (Top 11)/Girls (Top 8)
  - 4A Boys (Top 4)/Girls (Top 5)
  - 5A Boys (Top 4)/Girls (Top 4)
  - 6A Boys (Top 3)/Girls (Top 4)
- Out-of-State Opponent – Secure a letter/email from principal/AD stating current male enrollment of students in grades 10-12 to equate to PIAA Classifications. No documentation provided - will result in out-of-state opponent being classified as a Class "A" school.

Ticket Information:
Hometown Tickets Online Sales: Presold tickets: $8.00
Same-Day Tickets (On-Line and Gate): $10.00

Tie Breakers:
1. Head to Head
2. Record vs. Common Opponents
3. Opponents' Winning Percentage
4. Coin Flip

Tournament Director:
Chris Rickens Cell: 814-329-0912 Email: *cchrisref@verizon.net*
Cullen Stokes Cell: 724-549-8278 Email: *cstokes@unitedsd.net*

Guidelines for Entry

Entry Fee: $100.00/Team paid to "**PIAA District 6"**
Mail To: Cullen Stokes, AD, United High School, 10780 Route 56 Hwy East, Armagh, PA 15920
Procedure for Postponement: Game manager will confer with the tournament director(s).
Time of Decision: 2:00 PM on the day of the game

DISTRICT 6 PIAA
2026-2027 TOURNAMENT
COMPETITIVE SPIRIT
TOURNAMENT- SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Site: Altoona Area High School Fieldhouse
Date: Dec. 12, 2026
Time: 10:30 AM (*Team check in begins at 9:00 AM) ****All dates and locations are subject to change***

Conditions of Entry:

The 2026 PIAA Competitive Spirit Championships shall be conducted pursuant to all applicable By-Laws, Policies and Procedures, and Rules and Regulations of PIAA. It is important that the Principal, Athletic Director, and head Competitive Cheer Coach of all Teams that have qualified for the PIAA Competitive Spirit Championships and all persons who will have responsibilities involving these activities be fully informed of the policies and procedures described herein. It is also necessary that everyone associated with these championships comply with all policies and procedures, without exception. Failure to comply may result in removal from the PIAA Competitive Championships.

PIAA member schools are not required to enter PIAA championship events. Entry and participation in the PIAA Competitive Spirit Championships are voluntary. Entry into the PIAA Competitive Spirit Championships signifies that the member school accepts the fact that the PIAA Executive Director, or the Executive Director's designee, reserves the right to make changes in the date and location of Contest sites, and management, operation, schedule, and site of the PIAA Competitive Spirit Championships, if it becomes necessary to do so.

***Please be sure that your principal and athletic director have received this information**

Entry Fee: $115 check payable to **PIAA District VI** is due with entry form by TBD.
Mail entry forms and payment to: Chad Packer
710 S. Eagle Valley Road
Wingate, PA 16823
chad.packer@beasd.net
* All entries must include a list of squad members on school letterhead

Spotters: All schools competing should supply their own spotters if needed.

MAXIMUM NUMBER OF ENTRIES FROM DISTRICTS TO THE PIAA COMPETITIVE SPIRIT CHAMPIONSHIP:

DISTRICT	TOTAL CHEER SCHOOLS	# STATE ENTRIES
I	58	21
II	11	4
III	48	19
IV	16	7
V	2	0
VI	23	9
VII	39	17
VIII	0	0
IX	14	6
X	11	4
XI	31	12
XII	54	21
TOTALS		120

DIVISIONS:

SMALL VARSITY - 1 to 15 squad members

LARGE VARSITY - 16 and over squad members

COED VARSITY - At least one male on squad

Should any District not fill its allotment, the Assistant Executive Director may assign the additional entries to other Districts in a manner deemed appropriate. A team shall not be permitted to switch divisions between PIAA District and State Competition.

Medals/Trophies:

**********The following Teams will be moving onto the State Competition**********

- Nine total teams will move onto the State Competition
- 1st Place 2A
- 1st Place 3A
- 1st Place Coed
- Next 6 highest scores

A first-place award will only be awarded if there is more than one team in that division

No Protest Rule:

Under PIAA there can be no protest of Contests as follows:
"The Board of Directors and District Committees will not consider any protest of Contests which are based on play situations or officials' decisions involving interpretation or judgment of plays."
"In no case will the results of a Contest be reversed nor will a Contest be ordered or permitted to be replayed."
"Questions regarding interpretation of rules or judgment of officials should be submitted in writing to the Executive Director.

How to Handle Procedural Questions:

1. RULES & PROCEDURES - Any questions concerning the rules or procedures of the competition will be handled exclusively by the advisor / coach of the team and will be directed to the Competition Director. Such questions should be asked prior to the team's competition performance.
2. Questions regarding another team and/or their performance will not be allowed.

Finality of Decisions:

By participating in this competition, each team agrees that the decisions by the judges will be final, and results may ONLY be reviewed for clarification. Each team acknowledges the necessity for the judges to make prompt and fair decisions in this competition and each team therefore expressly waives any legal, equitable, administrative, or procedural review of such decisions.

Score Sheet:

There will now only be ONE score card across all divisions and adjustments were made to align with industry trends.

Changing Divisions: Teams may not change divisions once their entry forms have been submitted.

Routine Time Parameters:

Total time of routine cannot exceed 2:30

1:30-1:45 maximum for MUSIC

*Aligns with '23-'24 update to NCA and UCA Traditional Routines
Floor Size: 54 feet wide by 42 feet deep (54' x 42'). All participants must start with at least one foot (hand) on the performance surface. Signs and props can be placed off the performance floor, but participants cannot step off during the routine to get them.

Contest Officials: Competitive spirit judges do not register with PIAA. They are retained by the Tournament organizers under standards set by the Tournament organizers and will utilize NFHS spirit rules. PIAA Competitive Spirit judges will be contracted by UCA. Judges will have extensive training in coaching, choreography, and championship judging. Judges' decisions are final.

SPECTATOR TICKETS: General Admission Tickets will be on sale via the PIAA District VI Website for all Inter-District Championships.

Hometown Tickets
All Tickets: $8.00

Adults & Students in grades K-12 must purchase tickets.

Spectators: Doors will open one hour before the competition begins. Noisemakers are prohibited.

Tee Shirts: Preorder t-shirts will be $10 each. You will receive them at the competition. We will not have any available to purchase at the competition. You must pre-order them. Orders will be fulfilled through Jody Raineyjrainey@homercenter.org.

2026-2027 TOURNAMENT
CROSS COUNTRY
TOURNAMENT- SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Tentative Dates of Tournament: Saturday, October 31, 2026
Site: Maplecrest Golf Course, 350 Golf Course Road, Portage, PA 15946

Last Date to Enter: Monday, October 26, 2026 at 11:59pm

Race Order and Times:

8am - 3A Check-In
9am - **3A Girls**
9:30am - **3A Boys**
10:00am - **Unseeded 3A Girls & Boys** (combined)
10:30 am - 2A Check-In
11:00 am - **2A Girls**
11:30 am - **2A Boys**
12:00 pm - **Unseeded 2A Girls & Boys** (combined)
12:00 pm - 3A Check-In
1:00 pm - **3A Girls**
1:30 pm - **3A Boys**
2:00 pm - **Unseeded 3A Girls & Boys** (combined)
*Teams must report to starting box assignments 15 minutes before race time for instructions.

Race Day Schedule of events:

The clock will be stopped at 25 minutes in each Varsity Boys race and at 30 minutes in each Varsity Girls race.

Method of Entry: Paperless Meet – Team Registration at www.milesplit.com

- Each school may enter (7) participants in each Varsity race.
- We will also offer Unseeded Girls and Boys combined races for each classification. Unseeded entries are unlimited and seniors are permitted to run in this race. Schools are not permitted to enter the Unseeded race without also having entries in a Varsity race.

Qualifying Specifications: Open Tournament for Class A, 2A, and 3A
Rating System: None

Entry Fee = $50 per school + $10 per student-athlete
Payable To: District VI
Mail To: United High School
% Cullen Stokes, Athletic Director
10780 Rte. 56 HWY East
Armagh, PA 15920

Procedure for Postponement: Participating schools will be notified by email/phone call.

Ticket Information

Tickets are not required for admission to the District VI Cross Country Championships Meet

Tournament Director: Cullen Stokes
Email: *cstokes@unitedsd.net*
Phone: 814-446-5615 ex 2333

FIELD HOCKEY
TOURNAMENT- SUBJECT TO CHANGE

No Tournament this year for Field Hockey

AAA: State College will play through District III
AA: Mifflin County will play through District III

Qualifying Specifications: District VI teams will be ranked by Power Points in District III

Rating System: Teams are ranked by District III

Procedure for Postponement: Decision to be made by the Game Manager and the Tournament Director.

District VI Field Hockey Chair:

Elizabeth Campbell
814-941-2893
Bethcampbell71@gmail.com

FOOTBALL

TOURNAMENT- SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Play-off Qualifying Teams

Class A & 2A - Top 12	**Class 5A Regional - Top 2**
Class 3A & 4A - Top 4	**Class 6A Regional - Top 4**

Nov 1, 2026	**Football Play-off Meeting – Altoona's Mansion Park 10:00am (Tentative) Zoom link available.**	
Nov. 6 & 7	"Week 10"	D6 Play-offs/5A & 6A Regional*
Nov. 13 & 14	"Week 11"	D6 Play-offs/3A & 4A Championships/ 5A & 6A Regional Championships
Nov. 20 & 21	"Week 12"	D6 1A & 2A Championships/3A, 4A, 5A & 6A PIAA Inter-Districts
Nov. 27 & 28	"Week 13"	PIAA Quarter Finals – All Classes
Dec. 4 & 5	"Week 14"	PIAA Semi-Finals – All Classes
Dec. 10, 11, & 12	"Week 15"	PIAA Finals- All Classes @ Cumberland Valley Football Stadium

- Prior to the start of season schedules must be emailed to Tom Elling, ***tom@pawrsl.com***
- Attendance is mandatory at the 11/1/25 play-off meeting. Please bring $100.00 entry fee to meeting. Zoom link will be provided.
- Game site will be the home field of team ranked highest in each pairing until finals.
- Finals – Location to be determined by District 6 Committee after consultation with Football chairman.
- **PIAA District 6 reserves the right to move any play-off contest for any reason the Committee deems relevant.**
- Football is a qualifying tournament using the power rankings outlined on the District 6 website *www.piaad6.org*.
- Procedure for Postponement: In the event of severe weather conditions, the decision to postpone the game will be made by the assigned PIAA Officials in consultation with game manager and football chairman.
- Out-of-State Opponent – Secure a letter/email from principal/AD stating current male enrollment of students in grades 10-12 to equate to PIAA Classifications. No documentation - will result in out-of-state opponent being classified as a Class "A" school.

Ticket Information:

Hometown Tickets Online Pre Sales: $8.00

Gate Cash Sales and Day of Online Sales $10.00

Tie Breakers:

1. Head-to-Head
2. Record vs. Common Opponents
3. Opponents' Winning Percentage
4. Coin Flip

Tournament Director: Ralph Cecere

Work: 724-479-8080 Email: *rcecere@homercenter.org*

Mobile: 814-525-8532 Fax: 724-479-3967

2026-2027 TOURNAMENT
GOLF – BOYS
TOURNAMENT- SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Dates and Sites of Tournament:

- Boys 3A Individual/Team Sectionals - Monday, September 21, 2026, at 9:00 AM – Sinking Valley Country Club, 595 Golf Course Road, Altoona, PA 16601
- Boys 2A Individual/Team Sectionals - Wednesday, September 23, 2026, at 10:00 AM – Ebensburg Country Club, 408 Manor Drive, Ebensburg, PA 15931
- District 6 Boys 2A and 3A Individual/Team Championships - Tuesday, September 29, 2026, at 9:00 AM – Sinking Valley Country Club, 595 Golf Course Road, Altoona, PA 16601
- PIAA Boys 2A Team Regional with District 9 - Wednesday Oct. 7, 2026 – Ebensburg Country Club, 408 Manor Drive, Ebensburg, PA 15931
- PIAA Boys 3A Team Regional with District 8, 9, & 10 – Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2026 – Ebensburg Country Club, 408 Manor Drive, Ebensburg, PA 15931
- PIAA Individual Championships - Monday & Tuesday October 19, 20, 2026 – Penn State University Golf Courses, 1523 West College Avenue, State College, PA 16801
- PIAA Team Championships - Wednesday October 21, 2026 – Penn State University Golf Courses, 1523 West College Avenue, State College, PA 16801

Last Date to Enter: Friday, September 18, 2026 **Time:** 9:00AM

Guidelines Individual:

Boys 2A - Sectional Field is limited to the top 72 players with lowest qualifying scores. (Must be 95 or less). Golf Coaches are responsible for the integrity of the scores submitted for each golfer. The Golf Director will notify all schools of qualifying participants immediately after the deadline to enter.
Boys 3A – Sectional Field is limited to a maximum of 8 players per school with a qualifying score of 95 or less. Golf Coaches are responsible for the integrity of the scores submitted for each golfer.

Guidelines Team: Boys 2A and Boys 3A – Teams may be comprised of five (5) individuals, (that have met the qualifying score of 95 or less for 18 holes), of which the lowest four (4) scores shall count for the Championship.

Method of Entry: By Email (Preferred) or US Mail

Guidelines for Entry

Qualifying Specifications:

Players must demonstrate they consistently break a score of 95 for 18 holes or 50 for 9 holes. This is certified by the Coach on District 6 Entry Form.

Entry Fee: $30.00/per Student Athlete

Procedure for Postponement: All schools will be contacted.

Tournament Director: Chris Rickens
Cell: 814-329-0912
Email: cchrisref@verizon.net

2026-2027 TOURNAMENT
GOLF – GIRLS
TOURNAMENT- SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Dates of Tournament:

- District 6 Individual/Team Girls Championships - Thursday October 1, 2026 at 10:00 AM – Windber Country Club, 1392 Forest Hills Drive, Salix, PA 15952
- PIAA Girls 2A Team Regional with District 9 - Wednesday Oct. 7, 2026 at 10:00 AM – Ebensburg Country Club, 408 Manor Drive, Ebensburg, PA 15931
- PIAA Girls 3A Team Regional with District's 8, 9, & 10 – Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2026 at 10:00 AM – Ebensburg Country Club, 408 Manor Drive, Ebensburg, PA 15931
- PIAA Individual Championships - Monday & Tuesday October 19, 20, 2026 – Penn State University Golf Courses, 1523 West College Avenue, State College, PA 16801
- PIAA Team Championships - Wednesday October 21, 2026 – Penn State University Golf Courses, 1523 West College Avenue, State College, PA 16801

Last Date to Enter: Friday, September 19, 2025 **Time:** 9:00AM

Guidelines Individual:

Girls 2A and Girls 3A – There is no limit on the number of participants a school may enter if they all meet the qualifying score of 105 or less for 18 holes. Golf Coaches are responsible for the integrity of the scores submitted for each golfer.

Guidelines Team:

Girls 2A and Girls 3A – Teams may be comprised of five (5) individuals, (that have met the qualifying score of 105 or less for 18 holes), of which the lowest three (3) scores shall count for the Championship.

Method of Entry: By Email (Preferred) or US Mail

Guidelines for Entry

Qualifying Specifications:

Players must demonstrate they consistently break a score of 105 for 18 holes or 53 for 9 holes. This is certified by the Coach on District 6 Entry Form.

Entry Fee: $30.00/per Student Athlete

Procedure for Postponement: All schools will be contacted.

Tournament Director: Chris Rickens
Cell: 814-329-0912
Email: cchrisref@verizon.net

2026-2027 TOURNAMENT
LACROSSE
TOURNAMENT- SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Tentative date and location of District 6 Championship:

Boys: Tuesday, May 18 at Neutral Site
Girls: Tuesday, May 18 at Neutral Site
Note: All dates and locations are subject to change. Last Date to Enter:

Guidelines for Entry

Last Date to Enter: May 11, 2027
Method of Entry: Email (bethcampbell71@gmail.com)
Qualifying Specifications: Open Tournament
Rating System: Win/Loss Record through May 11
Entry Fee: $100.00 per team

Postponement Policy

Procedure for Postponement: All participating schools will be contacted.
Time of Decision: Decisions will be made on the day of the contest.

Ticket Information

Adults and Students
Presale Online: $8.00
Same-Day Tickets (Online & Gate): $10.00

Tentative Sub-Regional Championship Schedule

Girls 2A (Districts VI & X): TBD at District X site
Boys 3A (Districts VI & X): TBD at District XI site
District VI: Mifflin County, State College
District X: Fairview, McDowell
Girls 3A (Districts VI, VIII, & X): TBD at District X site
District VI: Mifflin County, State College
District VIII: Taylor Allderdice
District X: Fairview, McDowell

Elizabeth Campbell
Tournament Director

Cell: (814)941-2893
Email: bethcampbell71@gmail.com

2026-2027 TOURNAMENT
BOYS/GIRLS SOCCER 1A, 2A, 3A & 4A
TOURNAMENT- SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Dates of Tournament: First Round: October 26-30, 2026
Quarter-Finals: October 29- Nov 3, 2026
Semi-Finals: October 30-Nov 5, 2026
Finals: October Nov 2-6, 2026

Last Date to count games: October 22, 2026 **Time:** 9:00 PM

Method of Entry:

***Prior to the start of the season, schedules must be emailed to Tom Elling*: tom@pawrsl.com**

Entry Fee: $100.00/team, payable to District 6 PIAA-Soccer
Mailed to Michael Cacciotti, Bishop Guilfoyle Academy
2400 Pleasant Valley Blvd.
Altoona, PA 16602
Fax: (814) 944-8552
Email: mcacciotti@bguilfoyle.org

Sites: - Shall be approved by the soccer committee. *Games may be moved to turf facilities*

Qualifying Specifications: Closed Tournament

Rating System: Power rating – Four (4) points are received for a victory, Two (2) points for a Tie and bonus points are awarded for defeating:
"1A" team – 1 point
"2A" team – 2 points
"3A" team – 3 points
"4A" team – 4 points
Total points earned would be divided by the number of games played at the deadline date to determine the rating number to be used for seeding.

Procedure for Postponement: Decision to be made by game manager and tournament director.

Ticket Information

All tickets - $8.00
Same-Day Tickets (Online & Gate): $10.00
Tournament Director: Michael Cacciotti
Telephone: Work: (814) 944-4014

2026-2027 TOURNAMENT
SOFTBALL
TOURNAMENT- SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Tentative Dates of Tournament: **May 20th – June 5th 2027**

Last Day to Enter: May 18, 2027 **Time:** 9:00 AM

LAST DAY CONTESTS COUNT 5/17/27

Potential Sites: Bald Eagle High School

Claysburg Kimmel High School

Mifflin County High School

Mount Aloysius College

Saint Francis University

** All dates and locations are subject to change

Postponement Procedure: The host site will determine if games should be postponed due to inclement weather

Guidelines for Entry

Method of Entry: PIAA District Web Reporting

Rating System: Approved District 6 power ranking website will be utilized. Each team will be awarded 4 points for each win and 1 point for each classification of the team that was defeated.

Qualifying Requirements based on rating system: 67% from each classification (rounded up)

Entry Fee: $100.00 per team

Ticket Information

All Tickets presale Online (Hometown Ticketing) $8

Same day tickets (online and cash sales at gate) $10

Tournament Director: Stacy Kuster: 814-934-9629
skuster@springcovesd.org

2026-2027 TOURNAMENT
SWIMMING & DIVING
REGIONALS
TOURNAMENT- SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Diving

Tentative Date of Tournament: February 19, 2027
Site: State College High School

Swimming

Tentative Dates of Tournament: February 19-20, 2027
Site: Penn State University, State College PA

Last Date to Enter: Diving – February 15, 2027 **Time:** 11pm
Swimming – February 15, 2027 **Time:** 11pm

Method of Entry: Direct Athletics

****All dates and locations are subject to change*

Guidelines for Entry

Qualifying Specifications: Qualifying times.

Rating System: Team and individual entry according to PIAA regulations.

Entry Fee: No team Fee. $10.00/Student Athlete, minimum $30.00/school

Procedure for Postponement: Decision to be made by tournament director.

Time of Decision: 8:00 AM on the day of the meet.

Ticket Information

Adults and Students
Presale Online: $8.00
Same-Day Tickets (Online & Gate): $10.00

District Committee Contact: Curtis Whitesel
Telephone: 814-696-4454
FAX: 814-696-5681
Email: curt.whitesel@hasdtigers.com

2026-2027 TOURNAMENT
TENNIS - BOYS
TOURNAMENT- SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Tentative Dates of Tournament:	**Deadline:**
April 26 - AA Singles	April 21
April 27- AAA Singles	April 22
April 28 - AA / AAA Singles Championships	April 23
May 3 - AA Doubles	April 28
May 4 - AAA Doubles	April 30
May 5 - AA/ AAA Doubles Championships	April 29
Beginning May 10 - AA/ AAA Team Tournament	April 30

Method of Entry: Regular mail, registered mail, or FAX.

Site: Herb Faris Courts at Mansion Park, 3505 Oak Lane, Altoona 16602

****All dates and locations are subject to change*

Guidelines for Entry

Qualifying Specifications: Open to all schools in District 6. Teams seeded by coaches at the seeding meeting.

Rating System: Players will be seeded based on their individual record during the season. 2 points will be awarded to a team for a win over an AA opponent and 4 points will be awarded to a team for a win over an AAA opponent. A total point count will be tallied at the seeding meeting for District VI doubles. The top point total quotient will receive the number 1 seeding for the event. Team Sites will be determined by District 6. A team quotient will be determined by adding the total number of points divided by the total number of possible points.

Format: Best of 3 sets (format may be adjusted based on weather and indoor court availability)

Entry Fee: Fees: $100.00 per team entry. $10.00 per singles entry. $20.00 per doubles team entry. ENTRY FEE DUE BY START OF TOURNAMENT

Procedure for Postponement: Report to site for determination.

Time of Decision: 9:00 AM on the day of the match.

Ticket Information

No tickets are required for attendance at District 6 Tennis Championships.

District Committee Contact: Phil Riccio
Telephone: 814-946-8289
FAX: 814-946-8578
Email: priccio@altoonasd.com

2026-2027 TOURNAMENT
TENNIS - GIRLS
TOURNAMENT- SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Tentative Dates of Tournament:	**Deadline:**
September 21- AA Singles	September 18
September 22 - AAA Singles	September 19
September 23 - AA / AAA Singles Championships	September 20
September 28 - AA Doubles	September 25
September 29 - AAA Doubles	September 24
September 30 - AA/ AAA Doubles Championships	September 27
Beginning October 5 - AA/ AAA Team Tournament	September 25

Method of Entry: Email - priccio@altoonaasd.com

Site: Herb Faris Courts at Mansion Park, 3505 Oak Lane, Altoona, PA 16602

****All dates and locations are subject to change*

Guidelines for Entry

Qualifying Specifications: Open to all schools in District Six.

Rating System: Tournament draw and play will be made according to USTA Rules (PIAA modified). The best of three sets will be played. Twelve-point tiebreakers will be used when the score is 6 all. Coaching will be permitted between 90 second changeovers as during a five-minute break between the second and third set.

Players will be permitted a ten-minute warm-up period. The winner of each match should report the score to the tournament director and find out the starting time for their next match. Players whose schools do not have a tennis team may participate but must be accompanied by a coach or faculty member appointed by the principal. All contestants must wear appropriate tennis attire, (i.e., tennis shirt with a collar, a tennis skirt, or shorts). Sweaters, warm-ups, and jackets will be permitted when necessitated by cold weather conditions. The first-place finisher in AA, AAA, and the team champion will advance to the state tournament. Tennis sites will be determined by District VI.

Format: Best of 3 sets (format may be adjusted based on weather and indoor court availability).

Entry Fee: $100.00/team entry. $10.00/per singles entry. $20 per doubles team entry. ENTRY FEES ARE DUE BY START OF TOURNAMENT.

Procedure for Postponement: Report to site for determination.

Time of Decision: 8:30 AM on the day of the match.

Ticket Information

No tickets are required for attendance at District 6 Tennis Championships.

District Committee Contact: Phil Riccio
Telephone: 814-946-8289 **FAX: 814**-946-8578
Email: priccio@altoonasd.com

2026-2027 TOURNAMENT
TRACK AND FIELD
TOURNAMENT- SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Tentative Dates of Tournament:
AA/AAA Boys and Girls – May 18/19
Rain Date: May 20, 2027

SITE:
Mansion Park Stadium, Altoona, PA GPS: 414 North Logan Blvd. Altoona, PA 16602

Last Date to Enter:
Deadline to enter athletes: TBD.
THERE ARE NO REPLACEMENTS OF ATHLETES.

Dates are subject to change

Method of Entry: PIAA Website

Site: Mansion Park, Altoona

****All dates and locations are subject to change*

Guidelines for Entry

Qualifying Specifications: To be determined. Will be mailed with entry form.

Rating System: Qualifying times. Seeded by times/distance from 2026 PIAA sanctioned meets.

Entry Fee: $10.00/per student athlete, minimum of $30 entry fee from each school.

Procedure for Postponement: Determination is made by the game's committee.

Time of Decision: 11:00 AM on the day of the meet.

Ticket Information

Adults and Students
Presale Online: $8.00
Same-Day Tickets (Online & Gate): $10.00

District Committee Contact: Phil Riccio
Telephone: 814-946-8289
FAX: 814-946-8578
Email: priccio@altoonasd.com

DISTRICT 6 PIAA
2026-2027 TOURNAMENT
VOLLEYBALL - BOYS
TOURNAMENT- SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Tentative Dates of Tournament: May 18, 2027 – May 27, 2027

Last Date to Enter: May 13, 2027 **Time:** 9:00 AM

Method of Entry: District VI Website power ranking

****All dates and locations are subject to change*

Guidelines for Entry

Qualifying Specifications: 67% from each classification, rounded up to a minimum of 4 teams.

Rating System: District VI website power ranking

Entry Fee = *$100 per school*

Procedure for Postponement: Participating schools will be notified by email/phone call.

Time of Decision: 3:00 PM the day before the tournament.

Ticket Information

Adults and Students
Presale Online: $8.00
Same-Day Tickets (Online & Gate): $10.00

District Committee Contact: Chuck Gojmerac
Telephone: 814-241-2626
Email: Chuck@morrisonscovememorialpark.org

DISTRICT 6 PIAA
2026-2027 TOURNAMENT
GIRLS VOLLEYBALL
TOURNAMENT- SUBJECT TO CHANGE

TENTATIVE Dates of Tournament:
October 28, 2026 – November 7, 2026

Last Date to Count for D6 Rankings: October 22, 2026

Method of Entry: Results must be entered daily on the D6 portal to maintain an accurate ranking. Contact Tom Elling tom@pawrsl.com with questions.

Site: The higher seed on the official bracket will host through the semifinals. Championship sites & times are TBD.

****All dates and locations are subject to change*

Qualifying Specifications:

1. Class 1A - Top 7 teams (of 11) qualify.
2. Class 2A - Top 8 teams (of 12) qualify.
3. Class 3A - Top 10 teams (of 14) qualify.
4. Class 4A – Two teams qualify and play a sub-regional with District V & VIII.
5. Class 5A – Two teams qualify and play a sub-regional with District VIII & IX.
6. Class 6A – Two teams qualify and play a sub-regional with District X.

Total points earned will be divided by the number of games played at the deadline date to determine the rating number to be used for seeding. A maximum of 22 PIAA regular season contests (not tournaments) will be permitted to count towards rankings.

Entry Fee = *$100 per school*

Procedure for Postponement: Participating schools will be notified by email/phone call.

Ticket Information

Adults and Students
Presale Online: $8.00
Same-Day Tickets (Online & Gate): $10.00

District Committee Contact: Chuck Gojmerac
Telephone: 814-241-2626
Email: Chuck@morrisonscovememorialpark.org

DISTRICT 6 PIAA
2026-2027 TOURNAMENT
WRESTLING CLASS AA & AAA
DUAL MEET CHAMPIONSHIPS
TOURNAMENT- SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Dates of Tournament: February 2nd - AA Prelims
February 6th - AA/ AAA semifinals and finals at higher seeds

Entry Fee: $100.00/Team

****All dates and locations are subject to change*

Guidelines for Entry

Entry Deadline: AA - January 27th and AAA – January 30th. All teams must send their results to Rich Vetock at Fax 814-472-2233 by 12:00 PM. On Friday, TBA, **please make sure you have the records of the teams you wrestled outside of District 6.** This is very important for your final power rating. The District Committee is not responsible for calling your opponents and getting their records. Teams making the tournament will be notified by Sunday evening. **There will be no weight allowance for the tournament.** This rule is the same as the State Meet.

Method of Entry: Power Rating Systems: Power Rating System – System set by the wrestling coaches and approved by the District 6 Committee

Radio Fees: $50.00 per day

Ticket Information

Adults - $10.00 per session
Students - $5.00 per session

District Committee Contact: Phil Riccio
Telephone: 814-946-8292
FAX: 814-946-8578
Email: priccio@altoonasd.com

DISTRICT 6 PIAA
2026-2027 TOURNAMENT
WRESTLING CLASS AA
TOURNAMENT- SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Dates of Tournament: February 19-20, 2027

Last Date to Enter: February 13, 2027 **Time:** 6pm

Site: Altoona Area High School

****All dates and locations are subject to change*

Guidelines for Entry

Qualifying Specifications: Open Tournament

Rating System: District 6 Wrestling Coaches Rating Form and Criteria and approved by the District 6 Committee.

Entry Fee: $50 per team plus $10 per wrestler (ex. Team brings one wrestler fee is $60, Team brings 15 wrestlers fee is $200).

Procedure for Postponement: Television and Radio

Radio Fee: $50.00

Ticket Information

Adults and Students:
$10 per session or $18 per day

District Committee Contact: Phil Riccio
Telephone: 814-946-8289
FAX: 814-946-8578
Email: priccio@altoonasd.com

DISTRICT 6 PIAA
2026-2027 TOURNAMENT
District 6 AAA / Girls District 6, 5, 9 Wrestling
TOURNAMENT- SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Dates of Tournament: February 27, 2027

Last Date to Enter: February 23, 2027

Site: Altoona Area High School

****All dates and locations are subject to change*

Guidelines for Entry

Qualifying Specifications: Open Tournament

Rating System: District 6 Wrestling Coaches Rating Form and Criteria and approved by the District 6 Committee.

Entry Fee: $50 per team plus $10 per wrestler (ex. Team brings one wrestler fee is $60, Team brings 15 wrestlers fee is $200).

Procedure for Postponement: Television and Radio

Radio Fee: $50.00

Ticket Information

Adults and Students:
$10 per session or $18 per day

District Committee Contact: Phil Riccio
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Email: priccio@altoonasd.com